

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-38 (Cancelled)

39. (Currently Amended) A method of making a touch fastener, the method comprising:

forming a composite polymeric sheet ~~from comprising a plurality of side-by-side lanes,~~
the composite polymeric sheet including a lane comprising a first polymeric material and a lane
comprising a second polymeric material which is foamed at least two different polymeric
materials forming corresponding portions of the sheet and defining a boundary therebetween;
and

forming a plurality of discrete fastener element stems extending outwardly from at least
one exposed surface of the composite sheet;

~~wherein at least one of the polymeric materials comprises a foam.~~

40. (Cancelled)

41. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39 further comprising forming engageable
heads on the discrete fastener element stems.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein the composite polymeric sheet is
formed by bonding ~~a plurality of discrete~~ the side-by-side lanes of polymeric material together to
~~form the composite polymeric sheet.~~

43. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein the composite polymeric sheet is
formed by coextruding ~~[[,]] the side-by-side, a plurality of lanes of polymeric material to form the~~
~~composite polymeric sheet, the composite polymeric sheet including a lane of a first polymeric~~

~~material and a lane of a second polymeric material, the second polymeric material comprising a foam.~~

44. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein the second polymeric material is foamed~~foam is formed~~ by utilizing a chemical foaming agent.

45. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein the second polymeric material is foamed~~foam is formed~~ by injecting gas.

46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein the second polymeric material~~foam~~ is a thermoset.

47-67 (Cancelled)

68. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein the composite polymeric sheet includes a plurality of lanes comprising first and second materials.

69. (New) The method of claim 68 wherein the lanes comprising the first and second polymeric material alternate.

70. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein the first polymeric material is polypropylene.

71. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein the second polymeric material is an elastomer.

72. (New) The method of claim 71 wherein the elastomer is a polypropylene-based thermoplastic vulcanizate.

73. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein the lane comprising the second polymeric material has a height that is greater than a height of the lane comprising the first polymeric material, each

height being measured from a back surface of the respective lane to the top surface of the respective lane.

74. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein the at least one exposed surface of the composite sheet defines a portion of a top surface of the lane comprising the first polymeric material.